

TOWNLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL NEWS LETTER

Autumn Term 2 2025

From here it's possible

Season of Joy at Townley

As the festive season arrives, it is a joy to look back on what has been an exceptionally busy, vibrant, and successful autumn term. The energy around the school has been wonderful, and I am constantly reminded of how fortunate we are to have such a dedicated and talented student body.

The term began with a period of focused determination as our Year 11 and Year 13 students sat their internal examinations. Their conduct was exemplary, and they should be incredibly proud of the hard work they have put in.

Beyond the exam hall, the "Townley Spirit" has been on full display through our charitable efforts. From the brilliant energy of the Sixth Form during Children in Need to the sea of colour for our Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day, our students have shown immense kindness and generosity. Our community further extended this care by collecting essential items for the Bexley Food Bank, and through the Scholastic Book Fair, which raised over £300 for new library resources.

It has been a season of truly spectacular performances. Our Winter Concert was a triumph of musical talent, featuring diverse acts from the Gospel Choir to the Fusion Band. It was also a privilege to watch our youngest students find their feet and flourish during the Year 7 Dance Showcase. Seeing their confidence grow as they take part in our community events—including our student-led Diwali assembly and the Asian Celebration Evening—is one of the most rewarding aspects of school life.

We were also delighted to crown the term with our festive Carol Service at Christ Church, Bexleyheath. It was a beautiful, atmospheric evening that brought us all together in the true spirit of the season.

The sheer range of opportunities offered this term has been nothing short of amazing. Whether it was exploring theatre productions like SIX, visiting the National Portrait Gallery, or attending a Life Drawing Masterclass with Jonathan Huxley, our students have embraced every experience. We celebrate academic and professional milestones, including our Year 13 Philosophy class winning the 2025 Ethics Cup

and our Year 10 students exploring the creative industry through "Advertising Unlocked" at WPP Media.

Our sporting successes have been equally impressive, with our Year 8 and 9 teams finishing 1st in the Bexley Cross Country Championships. Furthermore, our Sports Leaders demonstrated exceptional professionalism while hosting over 130 children for the SHA Primary Athletics event.

This term we say goodbye to two members of staff who have made a lasting mark on our school:

Ms Ryan - Head of English: Since joining us in 2022, and stepping into the role of Head of English and EPQ lead in 2024, Ms Ryan has been an exceptionally valuable colleague. Her enthusiasm and unwavering commitment to her students have been an inspiration. While she will be greatly missed, we wish her every happiness as she returns home to Australia.

Miss Hawkins - Head of Year 13 and Science: Miss Hawkins joined us in 2022 and has shown incredible dedication to her students, and her positive impact across the school is clear to see, through her hard work, determination, positivity and genuine kindness. We wish her the very best of luck in her exciting new adventures.

We are delighted to congratulate Mr Mallinson on his appointment as Head of English, and we look forward to welcoming Mrs Marsters to the English department and Mr Bhuiyan to the Science department. Finally, a warm and heartfelt thanks and congratulations to Mrs Greener for all her hard work and dedication to our current Year 9 students. From January 2026, she will take on the role of Deputy SENDCo at Townley and will remain very much involved in school life!

The successes of this term are a testament to the partnership between our staff, students, and families. I hope you all have the opportunity to rest and celebrate with your loved ones.

I wish the entire Townley community a very Merry Christmas and a restful, happy festive break.

Miss S Totty, Interim Headteacher

Young Artists Shine on Inspiring Visit to the National Portrait Gallery



On Thursday 11th December 21 year 10 students and 10 year 12 students visited the National Portrait Gallery in London. The students were able to explore several floors of the amazing Gallery. With over 1000 portraits to see and make sketches, and notes on they certainly had their work cut out. The students did the school and themselves proud. They were fantastic!

They made some excellent drawings. Their behaviour was impeccable both to the gallery, inside and on the return home. Well done all. The work they did will be a valuable resource for their GCSE and A level projects and sketchbooks. Special thanks go to Ms. Imbert and Ms Martin who came on the trip and were an incredible help. An excellent trip. Thank you all.

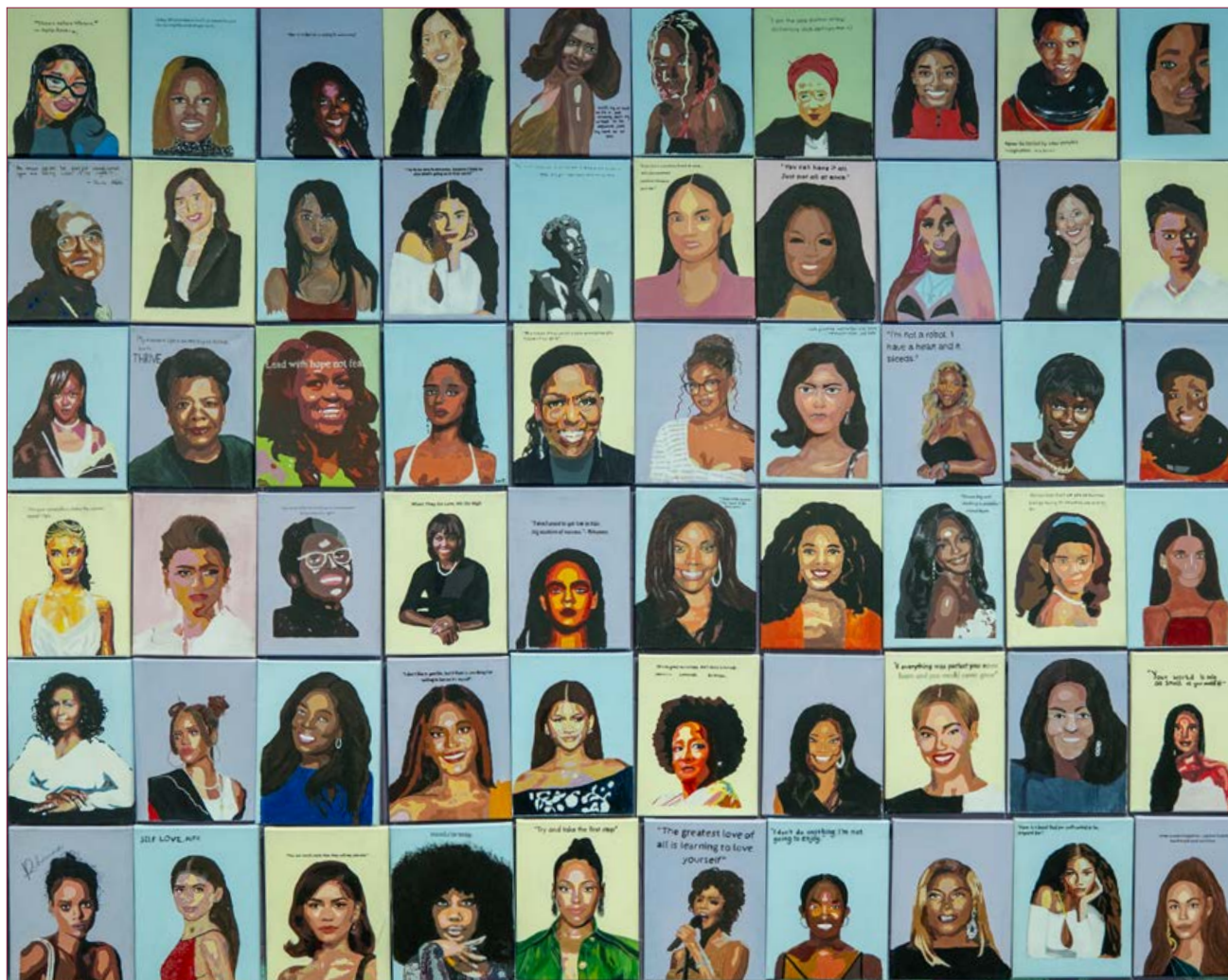
Mr. Douglas, Art Teacher

Scholastic Book Fair Raises Funds for New Library Books



Scholastic Book Fair - 28th November - 3rd December. The Book Fair was held at lunchtimes. The money raised means we will be able to purchase more new books for the school library. A total of £321.61 was spent at the fayre which means Scholastic will give us a percentage reward of £80 worth of books for the school. Thank you to Mrs Fernandez the School Librarian for organising the event!

Year 8 Celebrate Black History Month with Powerful Portraits and a Vibrant Gallery Evening



Once again in October the walls of the school gallery was filled with stunning portraits from the amazing year 8 students on their inspirational Black female hero project. To celebrate Black History Month, each portrait painted in acrylic paint in the style of the Ghanaian artist Conrad Egyir.

The gallery was also buzzing with excitement when parents of the students were invited to an open evening to view the work. The parents were also treated to some extraordinary musical performances from some of the year 8 students. It was indeed an inspiring evening. Again, special thanks to MS Blanca, Ms Imbert, and Ms Martin. Ms Ransom, Ms Olszowka. A big thank you to the PTA who generously gave us the funds for the canvases and paint materials. Thank you all.

Mr. Douglas, Art Teacher



Congratulations to the Year 13 Philosophy Class!



We extend our sincere congratulations on your outstanding performance and well-deserved victory in the 2025 Ethics Cup debate against Dartford Grammar School. Arguing successfully as the opposition team against the motion, "Utilitarianism is the best guide in decisions of sexual ethics,"

Your preparation, guided by the initial discussion questions, was clearly the foundation of your success. It was clear we were winners as you had shown your prior knowledge, generated sophisticated opening and closing speeches, and accurately anticipated the opposing team's strategies; you demonstrated an excellent defense.

The collective effort and intellectual rigour displayed by the class were exemplary. You represented the school with distinction, knowledge and above all great sportsmanship, showcasing both philosophical depth and exceptional teamwork. Well done on a truly impressive result the philosophy department are really proud of all of your hard work - special thanks to our fabulous and fierce debaters Owen, Inaya, Onome, Ecrin and Alesha!

Miss Kaur , Curriculum Lead for Religious Studies



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Department of Music



Winter Concert

Wednesday 3rd December 2024

A very warm welcome was extended to this year's Winter Concert. We hoped you enjoyed the performances from our range of musical groups and that you joined in with us by singing We Wish You a Merry Christmas. We were delighted to welcome our special guests, including Trustees, Townley staff, and of course parents and alumni. From everyone here at Townley, we wished you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Order of Performance

Deck the Hall of the Mountain King -
Edvard Grieg arr. Troth
Orchestra

Blue Mountain River - Cara Dillon
Year 7 (soloist Neve A.)

Christmas Medley
Gospel Choir

Isn't She Lovely - Stevie Wonder
6th Form Music Class
Walk This Way - Aerosmith/
Run DMC arr. Hip Hop club
Fusion Band/ Hip Hop Club

Glow - Eric Whitacre
Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy -
Tchaikovsky arr. Jeff Funk
Senior Choir

Maple Leaf Rag (Scott Joplin)
soloist Aaliyah A

All I Want For Christmas Is You - Mariah
Carey
Soul Ties

When You Sing - Howard Goodall
Intermediate Choir

Last Christmas - George Michael
SummerHouse

Pit Boys - Trad. English
Loch Lomond - Trad Scottish
**Year 7 (soloist Aashrita M.) (speaker
Cindy W.)**

Ghostbusters - E. Bernstein
Fusion Band

Thriller - Rod Temperton arr. Troth
**Orchestra/ Senior Choir/
Intermediate Choir**





MERRY CHRISTMAS



Linxi T, 9 Hestia



Louise, 9 Hera



Renee M, 8 Aphrodite



Shravya T, 7 Athene



Iris A, 8 Hestia



Naks B, 9 Athene



Threya, 9 Artemis



Maya N, 9 Hera



Olivia s, 9 Hestia



Anna H, 9 Persephone



Aarshi B, Year 8, Artemis



Alexandria, Year 9 B



Aurelia A, Year 7, Artemis



Caitlyn, Year 9



Catherine B, Year 9, G



Elin W, Year 9

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Evie P, 9 F



Fariba K, Year 8, Demeter

Ingeborga,
Year 9, PersephoneIsabella G,
Year 9, Persephone

Stella E-V, Year 8, Hera

Jasime A,
Year 9, HestiaAshpika F,
Year 8, Persephone

Jessica H, Year 7 C

Kaanchi J,
Year 8, Demeter

Mia L, Year 8, I

Vivithra,
Year 7 DemeterNasya Z,
Year 9, HeraOyindumola A,
Year 8, DemeterRachel k,
Year 9 ArtemisRawdah M,
Year 9, Demeter

Rida B, Year 8, Demeter



Romeesa, Year 9 Hera



Sadie, Year 8, Demeter



Sophia D, Year 9 B



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TOWNLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL PRESENTS...

MACBETH

by William Shakespeare

Townley Theatre, 12, 13 & 14 January 2026, 7.00 pm

Tickets: £8.00



BOOK TICKETS ONLINE



<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/100081>

Year 12 Artists Sharpen Skills at Life Drawing Masterclass



In November the Art department was delighted to offer our Year 12 Art students the opportunity to take part in a Life Drawing Masterclass with the London-based artist Jonathan Huxley. The workshop focused on advanced life drawing techniques. Students enjoyed learning directly from a professional artist, gaining valuable insight into creative practice beyond the classroom, while also having fun experimenting with different ways of drawing from life.

The session helped students develop confidence and produce strong work to support their portfolio, and we are very grateful to the PTA for generously funding part of the workshop.

Ms L Imbert-Alverson, Teacher of Art

Belonging at Townley: Highlights from This Term



We are proud of our inclusive, multicultural and multi-faith community at Townley, where everyone is welcome. Diversity is a strength of our school and we celebrate it every day through our curriculum, our student leadership, and the way we support and learn from one another. We are committed to ensuring every student feels valued, represented and empowered to thrive.

This term has been a vibrant celebration of equality, diversity and inclusion at Townley. Students and staff took part in a rich programme of events that spotlighted culture, community and student leadership.

October saw a powerful celebration of Black History Month, led by the Senior Equity Prefects. Assemblies, workshops and creative activities helped the whole school engage with Black heritage and reflect on the importance of representation.

The Festival of Lights was marked with a thoughtful, student-led Diwali assembly, where students shared personal traditions and the significance of the celebration. Cultural understanding continued through a series of cultural days and lunchtime showcases, giving students opportunities to wear cultural dress, share stories and celebrate one another's backgrounds.

A popular highlight was the Asian Celebration Evening, run in partnership with Beths Grammar School. The event brought together families, staff and students for an evening of food, performance and cultural pride, while raising funds for charity.

Throughout the term, the Equity Commission continued its work to promote inclusion across the school, supported by student leaders such as the Diversity & Inclusion Silver Ties. Their contributions ensure that belonging remains an active, student-driven part of Townley's culture.

Townley ends the term with a stronger sense of community and an ongoing commitment to celebrating the richness of our diverse school body.

Mr F De Fabiani FCCT, Senior Assistant Headteacher

Townley Runners Shine at Bexley Cross Country Championships

Congratulations the following Townley Grammar School listed below, they represented Townley in the Bexley Schools cross country championships in November. As always they were a credit to themselves and the school. They all worked hard, showed great commitment and were exemplary throughout. Many of these students will now be selected for the Bexley team to compete at the Kent schools. We anticipate some of them will then be late selected to represent Kent in the English schools finals. We will keep you posted.



Year 7 - Team finished 2nd

Adriana, Ruby, Shalom, Arabella, Eliza, Frida & Sofia - 1st Place overall

Year 8 - Team finished 1st

Sienna - 3rd Place overall, Tia-Rose, Peggy - 2nd Place overall, Ciara, Sonia, Hayley, Imi, Oyinda

Year 9 - Team finished 1st

Joesphine, Olivia, Gretchin & Lucy

Year 10 - Team finished 2nd

Emma, Adarora, Martha & Annabelle



Townley Sixth Form Spreads Christmas Cheer with Christmas Boxes

This Christmas, Townley embraces the festive season by caring for the community in a special way. The Sixth form community gathered up essential products for the Bexley Food Bank: canned goods, pastas, lentils and even sweet treats! We then decorated the boxes in a friendly competition to not only embrace the festive spirit but also stimulate our creativity. The activity was a fun way to celebrate the term with a fun competition and we had an amazing time decorating the boxes!

Katie F 12.9



Children In Need (6th Form)

On Friday the 21st of November, Townley's sixth form students took part in the annual Children In Need day, where they were given the opportunity to come in dressed up as their favourite characters to raise money for the Children In Need charity.

As per usual, Townley students did not disappoint this year and showed up in dazzling, unique costumes, ranging from movie and book characters, to amusing inflatable costumes. Pupils

had an excellent day showcasing their marvellous outfits, and helping raise awareness for Children In Need. Spirits were high as students took photos, laughed, and admired each other's creative costumes. The lively energy of the day was unforgettable for everyone, creating a memorable experience for the sixth form students.

In addition to all the fun the students had, they were also able to raise a significant amount of money to donate

to the charity, showcasing the sixth form community's compassion and enthusiasm to help others. Overall, it was thrilling to see the dedication the pupils had to making this day as rewarding and perfect as possible. After the success of this year's Children In Need day, we eagerly look forward to continuing this remarkable Townley tradition and seeing what excitement it brings next year.

Safiye D, Year 12





Year 7 Gift Books

Each of our new Year 7's received gift books this term from the PTA organised by our Librarian Mrs Fernandez. Students were excited to choose from the Bookbuzz selection and have them to take home. Happy reading and welcome to Townley!



Townley Sports Leaders Lead the Way at SHA Primary Athletics Event

On Tuesday 18th November, Townley hosted the SHA Primary Athletics event, welcoming seven primary schools and more than 130 excited students. From start to finish, the atmosphere was fantastic - and at the heart of it all were our outstanding Townley sports leaders.

The event ran smoothly thanks to their hard work, planning and preparation. Our leaders designed the running order, organised equipment, supported children at each station, and recorded all times, distances and scores with impressive accuracy and professionalism. They created a warm and welcoming environment, reassuring young competitors and guiding them confidently through every part of the event.

A member of staff in attendance paid our leaders an exceptional compliment, saying how amazing they were - and noting that even at the London Youth Games finals, he rarely sees sports leaders operating to such a high standard. Praise doesn't get much better than that.

What made the day even more special was the kindness and joy our students shared with the children. Between events, they found time to chat, encourage, and even join in with a few TikTok routines, making the primary students feel inspired, supported, and part of something fun. Watching their leadership, maturity and enthusiasm was genuinely heart-warming, and we couldn't be prouder of them.

A huge thank you as well to Sue, our SGO, for organising the event and for all her support in preparing our sports leaders. Her guidance played a key role in helping them feel confident and ready for the day. Finally, thank you to all the staff from the attending schools for encouraging such positive participation. The performances throughout the day were excellent and reflected the fantastic PE work happening across our local schools. Well done to everyone involved - a brilliant event and a wonderful reflection of our school community.

Mrs S Hawkey PE Teacher

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2025

POWER FOR GOOD

Thank you all for participating in Anti-Bullying Week 2025. We all saw you using your power for good. Odd Socks Day was a HUGE success and I am so proud to see our school come together as a community.

"SEEING PEOPLE USE THEIR
POWER FOR GOOD MADE ME FEEL
AT HOME IN TOWNLEY"
JONATHAN YEAR 13

"USING YOUR POWER FOR GOOD MAKES
OUR SCHOOL FEEL LIKE A REAL
COMMUNITY AND I ABSOLUTELY LOVE IT"-
MICHAEL YEAR 13



**KEEP USING POWER FOR GOOD
TOWNLEY!!**

Farewell to Ms Ryan and New Beginnings for the English Department

As we come to the end of term, we also say goodbye to Ms Ryan - the Head of English. Ms Ryan joined the school in 2022 as a teacher and in 2024 was appointed as Head of English and along with a leading role in relation to EPQ. She has been an exceptionally valuable member of staff, and we are deeply grateful for all she has contributed to both the department and the wider school community. Her enthusiasm, dedication, and unwavering commitment to our students have been appreciated by us all, and she will be greatly missed. We wish her every success and happiness as she returns to her native Australia. We welcome Mrs Marsters who will be joining the department in January and congratulate Mr Mallinson in his appointment as Head of Department

Mrs M Franz, Assistant Headteacher

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BOLEYN
SEYMOUR

SIX

CLEVES
HOWARD
PARR

DIVORCED ★ BEHEADED ★ LIVE!



Year 8 Students went
to see the production
of SIX in London
earlier this year and
had a great time!



Empowering Students Through Comprehensive RSHE: A Year of Specialist-Led Education Across Years 7–13

Delivered to Year 7-13 over three different dates this academic year by It Happens Education, supported by further sessions from Bexley Womens Aid, Amy Winehouse foundation, Bexley Young People's Drug and Alcohol Service and Met Police. It Happens Education is a team of RSHE specialists with extensive professional experience who recognise that high quality RSHE is protective. Our September sessions for Year 12 and Year 13 students focused on providing comprehensive and inclusive education covering essential aspects of sexual health, relationships, and future choices.

Year 12: The Year 12 programme was split into two key areas: **Keeping Your Body Safe & Sexual Health**

This section focused on sexual wellbeing and pleasure, inclusive sexual health, and essential knowledge regarding STIs, barrier methods, HIV/AIDS, PrEP & PEP. Students were also guided on accessing services and getting tested.

Future Relationships

The later sessions explored society and sexuality, the balance between authenticity and intensity in relationships, and addressing victim-blaming narratives. Critical discussions were held on sexual harms, reporting, and accessing support services, culminating in advice for fostering positive and balanced relationships.

Year 13: Choice, Fertility & Families

The Year 13 focus shifted to future-oriented topics, including a detailed look at contraception choices and tackling emergency contraception and misinformation. We discussed modern approaches like FemTech, explored pregnancy choices (including abortion), reviewed male and female fertility, and examined the evolving concept of families of the next generation. In November our sessions covered age-appropriate topics related to the body, puberty, and future life choices for students in Years 7, 8, and 11.

Year 7: Your Private Body

This foundational session focused on building body confidence and promoting correct terminology. Key areas included:

- Encouraging students to be curious about their bodies.
- Discussions on body image and pressure.
- Understanding and using correct terminology for breasts and chests and genitals.
- Guidance on looking after private bodies and what to do if worried or concerned.

Year 8: The Adolescent Body: Puberty

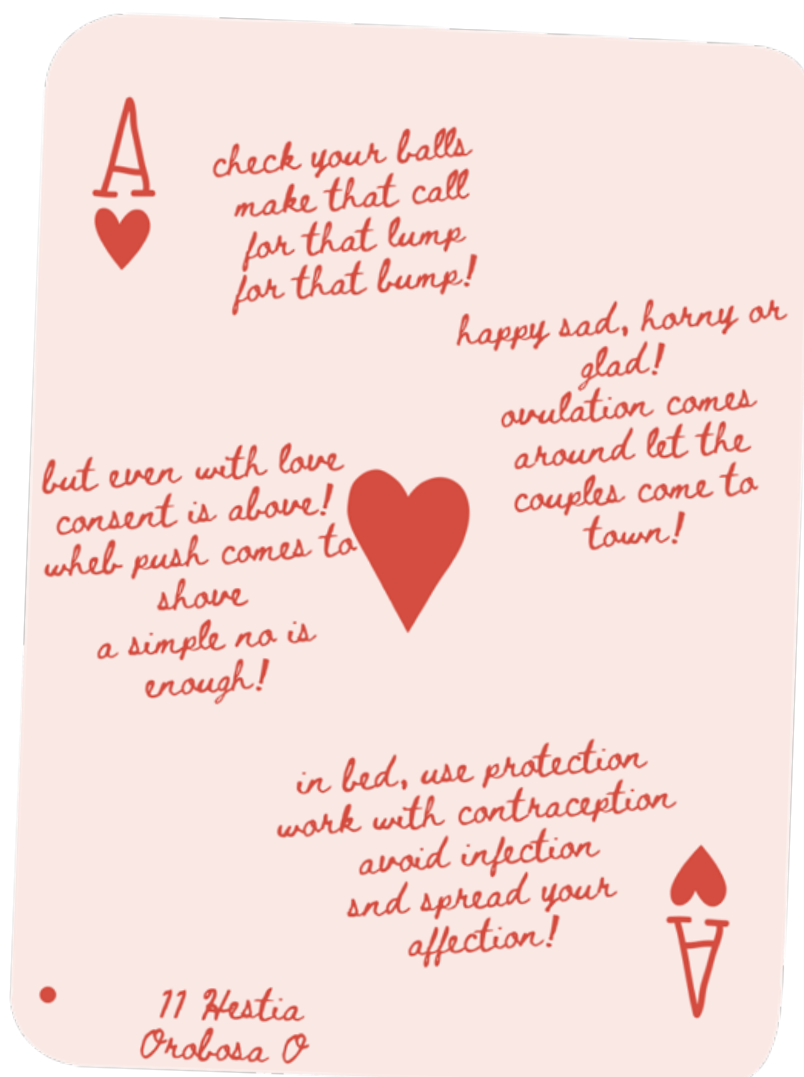
- The Year 8 session focused on the physical and emotional changes associated with puberty:
- Addressing common puberty-related questions and changes.
- Focusing on menstrual wellbeing.
- Discussions about puberty products and the environment.
- Reinforcing the importance of knowing what's normal and asking for help when needed.

Year 11: Choice, Fertility & Families

- This session prepared students for future decisions regarding sexual and reproductive health:
- Detailed coverage of contraception choices and managing emergency contraception and misinformation.
- Exploring modern health tools like FemTech.
- In-depth look at pregnancy choices (including abortion).
- Information on fertility (male & female) and the concept of families of the next generation.
- RSE Rap for the newsletter from Year 11 student attached.

Upcoming session for Year 9 and Year 10 is due to take place on Wednesday 11th March 2026.

Ms L Butler, Assistant Headteacher



Year 10 Students Unlock the World of Advertising at WPP Media



In November, Year 10 Urban Classroom and Year 10 Artistic Development students had the opportunity to take part in the educational programme, “Advertising Unlocked”, organised by the Institute of Practitioners in Advertising (IPA) to promote careers in advertising.

Our students spent the day in one of the biggest advertising agencies in London WPP Media, which provided them with a chance to learn more about the world of advertising and the careers it offers. Through talks from the professionals, collaborative workshops, budget management and panel discussions, the students widened their view about what transferable skills are desirable to go into the industry and the different career paths that it offers.

Below there are some of the student’s reflections on the experience:

“During the presentation, I took the lead. I really wanted to capture the audience, by using rhetorical questions, and persuasive language, to intrigue and gain their attention. I talked to the audience, highlighting their emotions, and how it would feel to finally play a game based on the sport you passionately love. I think doing this really caused the audience to reflect and think about our idea. I learnt about the importance of presenting my views clearly and talking with confidence. If I don’t have a good approach to presenting my ideas, how can I expect people to invest? I felt good presenting my ideas. It was nice to feel listened to, especially after working hard on a project. Overall, the presentation experience was good, I enjoyed working with my peers, and trying to persuade the target audience into investing. My goals for the future, with regards to working in real estate, requires a lot of persuasion. This task really helped me to focus on getting across to the audience in an effective way.”

Feith A. 10Athena



I think the day was quite impactful for a teenager like me still contemplating what to do in the future, and all in all the experience was great and I would do it again!

Taifa N. M. 10Aphrodite

"The main skill that I developed during this trip is my improvisation skills during presentations, in other words public speaking skills. With advertisement, it's not what I expected, it branches out into many specialties, and not just marketing, and many people are responsible for different sections of a project with different career types. This trip deeply influenced me into an advertising career, because of how they were describing it and how their education path went. I think the day was quite impactful for a teenager like me still contemplating what to do in the future, and all in all the experience was great and I would do it again!"

Amanda P. 10 Persephone

"I appreciated that the panellists gave us time after lunch to prepare our presentation. Initially, I was extremely nervous and didn't want a speaking role because I feared stuttering or forgetting my part. However, I did end up presenting, and I'm glad I did. I spoke smoothly, without the mistakes I had almost unnecessarily worried about, and the panellists gave us positive feedback - especially on how effectively we stuck to our budget and built public exposure gradually.

Overall, the most valuable skill I developed was learning to

recognise and use my strengths with intention. I also gained a deeper understanding of how diverse the advertising world is—far beyond the occasional ads I see. It combines creativity, mathematics and technology in ways I hadn't appreciated before. Although I don't see myself pursuing a career in advertising, I believe the mathematical aspects of campaign planning may shape how I approach certain areas of medicine, my chosen career path. The day not only met but exceeded my already high expectations, leaving me with a much clearer sense of the professional qualities I want to continue building."

Taifa N. M. 10Aphrodite

This is only a sample of the written reflections from the students. Their overall performances were outstanding and we could not be prouder of them.

**Mrs W. Williams,
Director of Careers & Progression**

**Ms A. Ona de la Blanca, Head of Art and Urban
Classroom Curriculum Lead**

Arkwright Engineering Scholarships 2025



The Arkwright Engineering Scholarship is a prestigious scholarship designed to inspire and support the next generation of Engineering Leaders. Administered by the Smallpeice Trust (the UK's largest STEM educational charity) and supported by external sponsors the scholarships offers access to:

- Hands-on work experience
- A personal mentor for academic and career guidance
- Access to exclusive events
- Financial bursary

Awarded to Year 11 students, through a rigorous selection process, the two-year scholarship provides a range of opportunities whilst in Sixth Form in support of their future Engineering career journey. Townley Grammar School is proud to be affiliated with the programme which allows Year 11 DT Engineering students an opportunity to apply for the 2026-2028 scholarship.

The online application focuses on why they wanted to be an engineer, which types of engineering they are interested in pursuing and what they would like their career to look like in 10 years' time. In January all will sit an online aptitude test, followed by an online panel interview if successful in reaching the next stage of the process.

We wish Laila, Lathikka, Kshipra, Mahee, Qiyyamah and Tehillah success with their applications. The final confirmation of whether scholars are awarded a virtual or externally funded scholarship will be received in September 2026.

More information: <https://www.smallpeicetrust.org.uk/arkwright-engineering-scholarships/>

Mrs W Williams,

Director of Careers and Progression

A GUIDE TO LOOKING AFTER YOUR MENTAL HEALTH DURING THE HOLIDAYS!



Wrap up warm and connect with nature



Reflect on the year behind you



Spend time with family and friends



Balance your work and rest



Create new year's resolutions!



Internal heats Articulation Prize 2026



Nine year 12 students took part in the exciting Articulation Prize Competition organised by the National Portrait Gallery. The students delivered their presentations around their favourite Art work in the internal heat held at Townley. It was difficult to decide the winner who later would attend the Regional heats at Christie's on 22nd January. In the end, the Jury chose Tokemi A. (12.4) as our speaker at the event.

All of the students demonstrated the value and power of having strong presentation skills, as well as the importance of clear articulation in expressing complex thoughts. The competition was a valuable opportunity to build confidence, refine communication skills and celebrate critical thinking. Thank you to Mr Moustafa, Mrs Ryan and Ms Ronan for undertaking the difficult tasks of choosing our representative at the regionals.

Ms A Oña de la Blanca, Head of Art and Urban Classroom Curriculum Lead

Celebrating Our International Students as We Say Goodbye



Since September, our long-term international students from Germany, Brazil, and the United States have been an integral part of our school community. As they prepare to depart this week, we extend our sincere farewell and wish them every success in their future endeavours. Throughout their time with us, they have formed strong friendships, contributed positively to school life, and enriched our community through their diverse cultures and perspectives. It has been a genuine pleasure to have them with us, and we thank them for the lasting connections they have built during their time here.

Mrs A Siyani, Partnerships Assistant

Creating a Kinder School: A Year 7 Wellbeing Ambassador's Reflection

Following Year 7 Wellbeing Ambassador training on 15th December 2025 Larra - 7 Athene has reflected upon her new role. A well-being ambassador is a really lovely role, because we help make school a kinder and happier place for everyone. After committing to our form and completing special training, we learn how to listen to others and support people when they need someone to talk to. We make sure students feel heard, safe, and supported, sometimes working with the safeguarding team to help in the best way. It's all about making sure no one's feelings are missed and that everyone knows they matter, and makes the whole school experience even nicer for everyone.

Ms L Butler, Assistant Headteacher



Townley Students Excel in Bebras Computing Challenge



Anayah C 7 Artemis



Satvi T 10 Athene, Ishika M 9 Aphrodite, Red V 12.1 and Inas A 12.1

All Townley Computing students took part in the Bebras Computing Challenge in November. The school received 80 Gold Certificates for students who placed in the top 10% in the UK. The 5 students pictured above all achieved highest in the school in their age group categories.

Mr E. O'Leary Computer Science Teacher

Congratulations to the Physics Department on achieving a Gold Isaac Science Award.

Isaac Science, funded by the University of Cambridge and supported by the Ogden Trust, provides free, high-quality science resources that develop students' problem-solving, analytical fluency, and readiness for university study.

This award recognises the department's commitment to excellence and inclusive academic challenge.

Mr F De Fabiani FCCT,
Senior Assistant Headteacher





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Support Townley Grammar School

At Townley Grammar, we are proud to offer more than just an excellent academic education - we provide a vibrant and enriching school experience where students can grow, thrive, and feel truly inspired.

Many of the activities and opportunities that make Townley so special are not covered by standard funding. That's where the Townley School Fund comes in. With your support, we can continue offering the extras that bring learning to life and build a strong, supportive community.

Thanks to the School Fund, we can provide:

- ✓ **Better Resources** – from textbooks and classroom equipment to materials for practical subjects.
- ✓ **Celebrating Achievement** – awards and prizes for our incredible students at celebration events.
- ✓ **Inclusion & Support** – initiatives like peer mentoring and personalised student support.
- ✓ **Student Voice** – funding for projects led by our School Council.
- ✓ **Clubs & Co-Curriculars** – a wide range of enriching clubs and activities beyond the classroom.

These are the experiences that shape confident, well-rounded students - but they are only possible with your help.

How You Can Help:

We are asking families to contribute £10, £25, £50 or £100 this year. You can also choose to pay termly. Every donation - big or small - makes a real difference.

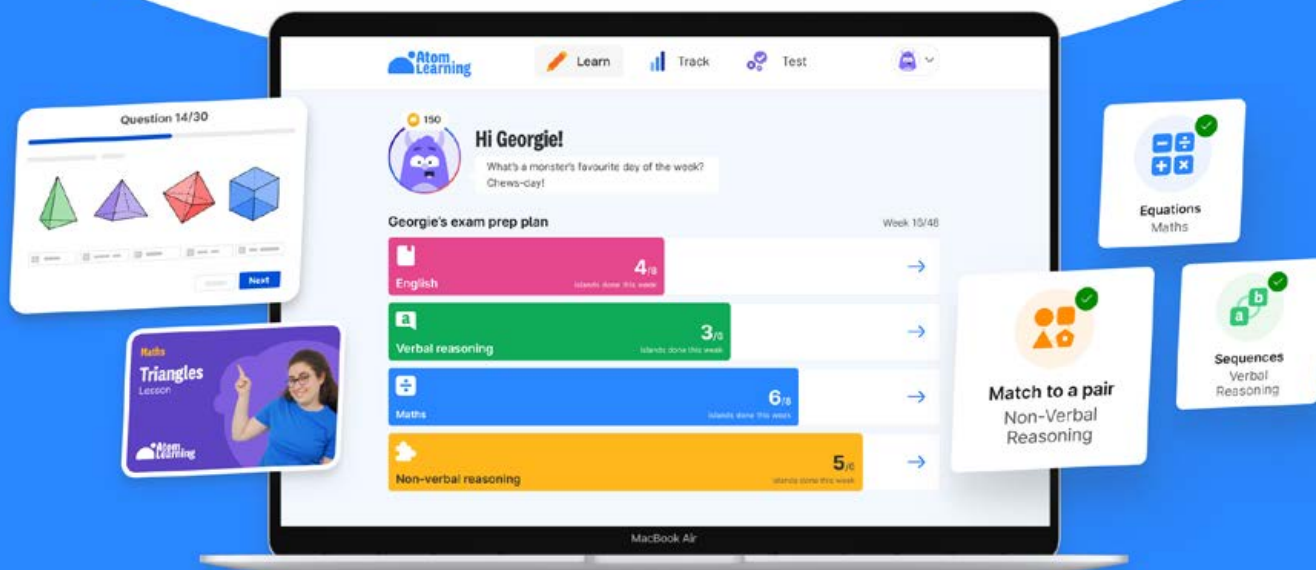
How to Donate:

Simply log in to your Arbor account, go to the Shop, and select School Fund to make your donation.

If you would like to give more, or support a specific area (like library books, celebration prizes or equipment), we would be delighted to hear from you.

Thank you for helping us keep Townley Grammar a place where every student can truly flourish.

<https://www.townleygrammar.org.uk/our-school/our-community/support-us/>



Free 11+ preparation and KS2 support



FREE 11+ PREPARATION AND KEY STAGE 2 LEARNING

Townley Grammar School and Atom Learning have partnered to provide children who are eligible for pupil premium with a free programme of online learning and 11+ test preparation materials.

<https://atomlearning.com/pupil-premium/townleygrammar>

Introducing the Arbor Parent App

We are excited to invite you to start using the Arbor Parent App. Designed to make school-to-home communication seamless, Arbor gives you a real-time window into your child's school day. The personalised dashboard shows your child's daily timetable, current attendance, and any new notices from the school the moment you open the app. If you have more than one child at our school, you can easily switch between their profiles within the same app - no need for multiple logins.



Stay Informed on Progress:

View your child's attendance statistics, behavior points (both positive and negative), and latest report cards as soon as they are published.

You can use the app to:

- Top up meal accounts.
- Book and pay for school trips and clubs.
- Purchase items from the school shop.
- Keep us updated on changes such as a new address, email or mobile number
- Add or decline consents for your child.

How to get started:

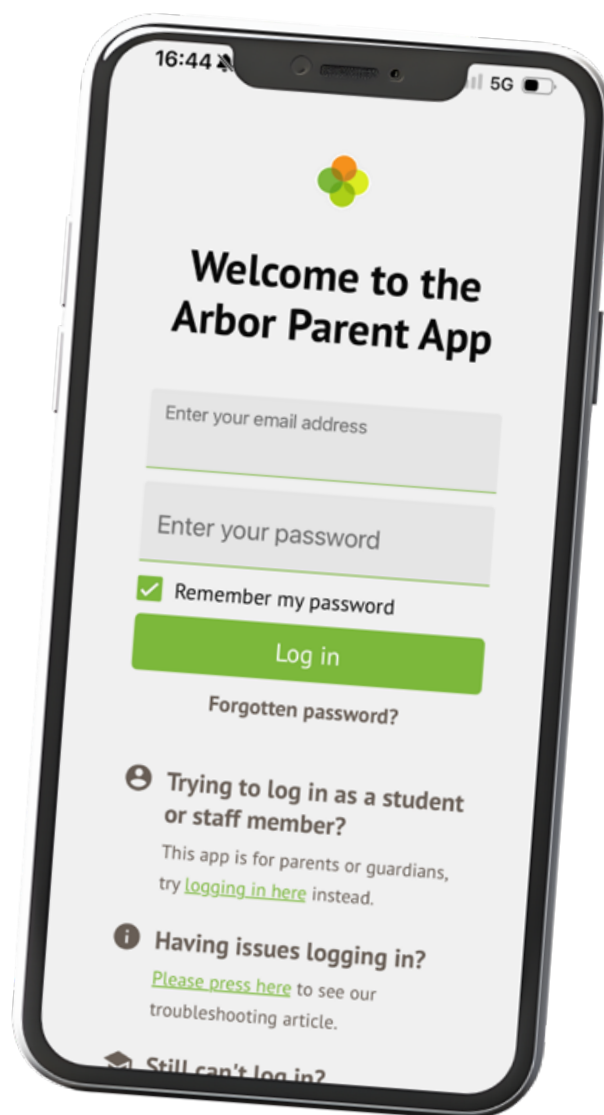
Download the app: Search for 'Arbor' in the App Store or Google Play Store.

Log in: Use the email address the school has on file for you. If it's your first time, follow the "Forgot your password?" link to set up your credentials.

Enable Notifications: Make sure to allow notifications so you never miss an important update or an in-app message from us.

By using Arbor, you'll stay better connected to your child's education while helping the school communicate with you more efficiently.

Need help? If you have any trouble logging in, please contact the school office directly, and we will be happy to assist you!



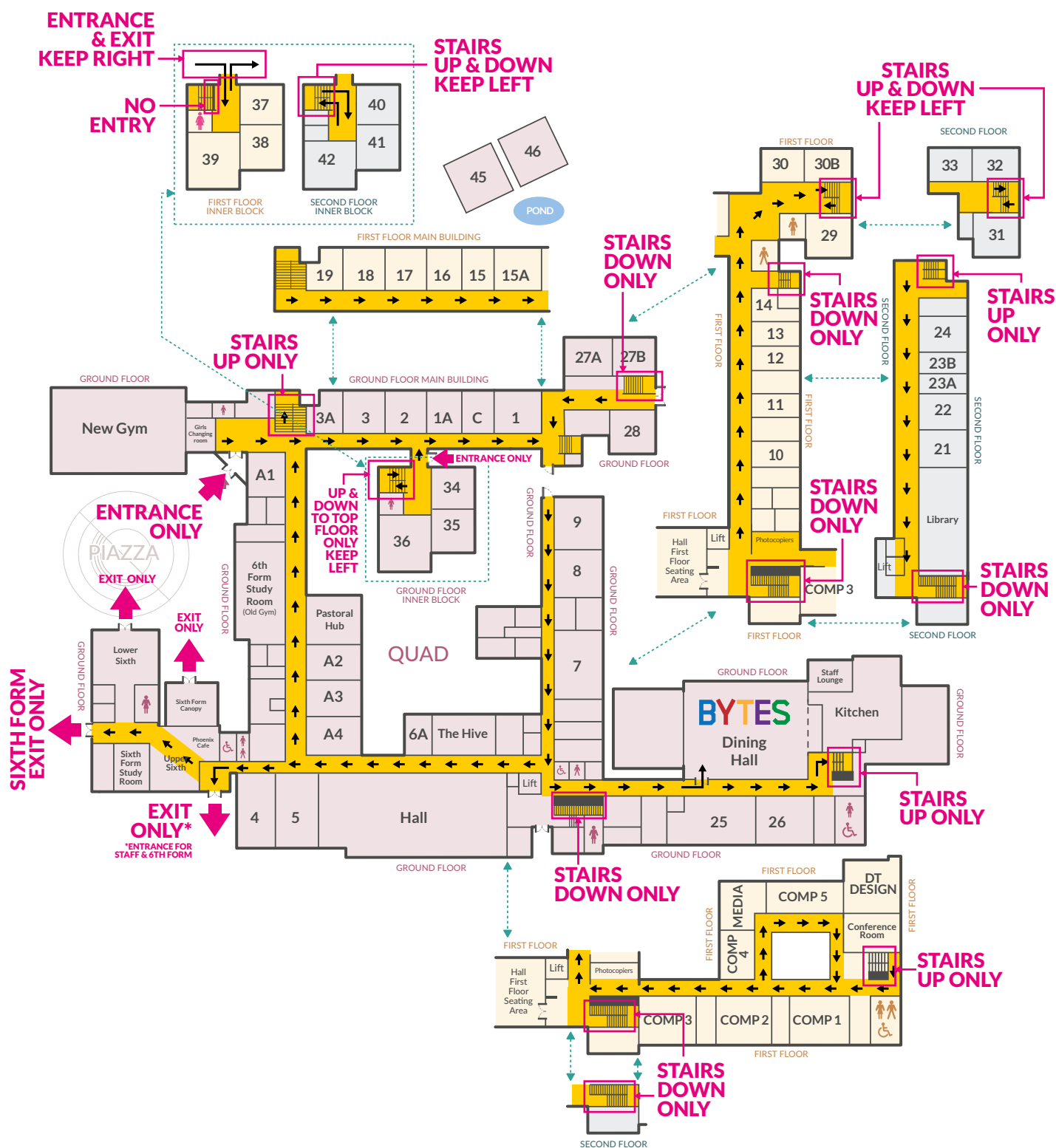


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ONE-WAY SYSTEM



Important Update: Introduction of a One-Way System in the Main School Building

We are writing to inform you of an important and necessary change that will be implemented in the main school building from January 2026. In order to improve the flow of movement, ease congestion in our corridors and enhance overall student safety, we will be introducing a one-way system throughout the main school building. This decision has been made in line with our ongoing commitment to Health and Safety requirements.